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Lebanon CYF Group Visits All-Peoples Church in Los Angeles

The CYF group of the First Christian Church of Lebanon, Oregon, recently returned from a chartered Greyhound Tour to All-Peoples Community Center in Los Angeles, California. It took the CYFers a year to earn the $1300 for the eight-day trip.

Traveling some 2800 miles, the group spent the nights enroute in Christian churches. Eureka CYFers welcomed the travelers with dinner, fellowship and devotions. After sight-seeing in San Francisco, they spent a night at the University Christian Church in Berkeley. Zone rally and dinner greeted them in Santa Barbara, followed by a worship and communion service. They had lunch at Bakersfield Christian Church and spent the night at Del Paso Christian in North Sacramento, where a picnic and ball game were provided by their young people.

The three days at All-Peoples were spent in doing service projects, playing basketball with their youth, and fellowship under the direction of Harsh Brown, as well as in visiting Forest Lawn, Disneyland, and many other points of interest.

Reggie Weaskus, adopted Indian brother from Yakima Indian Mission at White Swan, Washington, accompanied the Lebanon youth.

The 33 CYFers and their counselors agree that, according to our CYF circle, "our fellowship truly extends beyond our state and across the nation." To them the theme of our trip, "In Christ There Is No East or West", is a reality rather than a dream.

Idella Osburn directed the tour. Counselors were: Jerry Sawyer, asst.-minister, Blewford Osburn, and Alice Gilson. Pat Jones was the group's president.

Judy Mitchell, publicity chr.

CHARTERED BUS took this group of 32 CYF boys and girls and 5 adult counselors to Los Angeles. Idella Osburn, center in foreground, was director of the tour.

ALL-PEOPLES CHURCH in Los Angeles (below) was visited by Christian youth from the First Christian Church in Lebanon. The bus they chartered for the 2800-mile trip is parked in front of the church.

Institute Series Scheduled for September

The Oregon Christian Missionary Society is sponsoring a series of institutes across the state September 17 through 26. This is the first effort of the Society to present its program in the form of institutes.

There will be events of interest for every leader in the local church: helps for Children's workers, members of Functional Commitees or Departments, workers in Women's and Men's groups, and general information and inspiration for all.

Dr. George Earl Owen of Indianapolis, a former missionary and now secretary of one of the departments of work under the United Society, will be guest leader and bring the main message of the day at the evening dinner hour. The new sound film, "The Churches at Work," produced by Edwin L. Whisler, will be enjoyed by all.

The Schedule for the institutes is as follows: Tuesday, September 17, Eugene First Church; Wednesday, September 18, North Bend; Thursday, September 19, Grants Pass; Friday, September 20, Lebanon. Saturday, September 21, there will be a special youth meeting for all youth who have volunteered for Church Vocations. This will be held at Lebanon.

Sunday, September 22, will be spent in Central Oregon. Dr. Owen will speak at the morning service at Bend, and there will be an afternoon series of conferences according to interests of those present. The institute meets Monday, September 23, at Pendleton; Tuesday, September 24, at Hood River; Wednesday, September 25, at Dallas; and September 26 at Kern Park, Portland.

The daily schedule is listed in the box below. Be sure to attend the institute nearest to you.

INSTITUTES ON CHURCH LIFE DEVELOPMENT

Sept. 17 - 26, 1957

10:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. Children's Workers Institutes
Loma Mae Jones and District Children's Workers
1:00 - 3:30 p.m. World Outreach Training Institutes
Goldie Ruth Wells, Schools of Missions
Dr. George Earle Owen, Year of Emphasis
Oscar A. Cooper, Benevolence
Chas. H. Addleman, State Missions
4:00 - 5:30 p.m. Functional organizations of the church, both local and statewide
5:30 - 6:30 p.m. Optional preview of available films throughout the state office
6:30 - 7:45 p.m. Dinner and message by guest leader,
Dr. George Earle Owen, Indianapolis
8:00 p.m. Sound film on "The Churches at Work"
produced by Edwin L. Whisler
Closing devotions

DR. GEORGE EARLE OWEN of Indianapolis will be the guest leader for the institutes on church life development, scheduled for September.

Young Adults Meet in Consultation

Forty young adults met the weekend of July 26-28 at the Zephyr Conference Grounds near Spokane, Washington. From the states of Washington, Montana, Idaho, Utah, and Oregon they came together in consultation with Dr. Richard E. Lentz of the Department of Religious Education of United Christian Missionary Society.

In the sharing of each of the delegates, the consultation's purpose was to draw conclusions which would more clearly define the young adult and his relationship to the church. General areas considered were a "profile" of the young adult, the tensions that bother him, what the Christian religion has to offer him, and church programming for the young adult.

This was one of three such regional consultations being held this year throughout the nation. The results will aid in the writing of materials and in programming for this important age group within the local church.

SEVEN YOUNG PEOPLE from Oregon were a part of this group attending the Regional Young Adult Consultation in Washington.

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International Convention at Cleveland Expected to Draw 10,000 Delegates

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind. — World Outreach Breakfasts, a series of 17 "Sharathons," inspiring messages, music and worship, and Christian business, will highlight the 1957 International Convention Assembly of Disciples of Christ (Christian Churches) to be held Oct. 11-16 in Cleveland, Ohio.

These features — some to be included in the Assembly program for the first time — will await the 10,000 delegates who are expected to register for this significant annual meeting of the brotherhood.

"His Love We Share" will serve as the over-all theme of the Assembly, which will pin-point the 1957-58 brotherhood emphasis on Missionary Education and Benevolence. Speakers, worship services, and related meetings will all lift up this current brotherhood effort.

A series of five identical World Outreach Breakfasts will be held on three mornings: Saturday, Monday, and Tuesday. Areas to be considered are Latin America, Africa, Asia, American Missions, and Ecumenical World Service. Tickets for these breakfasts are available now from the International Convention office.

The 17 "Sharathons" will deal with various programs relating to the local church. They are planned as sharing sessions and will include such subjects as the following: "Multiple Additions and Minimal Losses"; "Fostering the Future"; "The Church in the Blighted Neighborhood"; "Spiritual Foundations for Christian Living"; "The Local Church's Place in Christian Vocational Recruitment"; etc.

The annual International Convention Communion Service, to be held Sunday afternoon, Oct. 13, will vary from those held previously. For the first time in many years, the service will include a speaker — in this case, Bishop Richard C. Raines of the Indiana Conference of the Methodist Church. The Program Committee is working closely with the Greater Cleveland Church Federation in making this service an ecumenical expression.

The facilities of the Cleveland Public Auditorium and the surrounding hotels will provide an ideal Convention setting. Day sessions are to be held in the Music Hall of the Auditorium, with evening sessions scheduled for the Main Auditorium which seats 12,500. Hotel accommodations are excellent.

John Rogers, well-known layman from the First Christian Church of Tulsa, Oklahoma, and current president of the Convention, will address the opening evening session on Friday, October 11. Other evening session speakers will include: Margueritte Harmon Bro, Park Forrest, Ill., author and outstanding Disciple churchwoman, who will speak Saturday evening; Dr. Gaines M. Cook, executive secretary of the Convention, who will speak Sunday evening regarding his recent World Mission Tour; **Mrs. Edith Green, congresswoman from Oregon and a member of First Christian Church, Portland, who will speak Monday evening;** Dr. Franklin Clark Fry, president of United Lutheran Church, who will address the Convention on Tuesday evening; and Dr. W. A. Welsh, minister of East Dallas Christian Church, Dallas, Texas, who will conclude the Convention on Wednesday evening, Oct. 16.

Going to International Convention this Year?

For those who plan to travel by train, wouldn't it be fun to plan a travel party made up of people from Oregon, Washington, North Idaho, and Montana? Transportation arrangements have been completed with SP&S-NP-CB&Q to assure our members fellowship and enjoyment while enroute to the International Convention at Cleveland, Ohio, October 11-16, 1957. Reservations and further information may be secured by contacting Mr. R. L. Prefontaine, C.P.A. Northern Pacific Railway Co., 439 S. W. 6th Avenue, Portland 4, Oregon.

NEWS and PICTURE

DEADLINE

SEPTEMBER 15

Institutes on Church Life Development To Include Meetings for Children's Leaders

Sept. 17-26: from 2:30 to 3:30 each day.
(See Institute Schedule on page two.)
Topic: "Methods and Materials for Fall, 1957. For: Kindergarten, Primary, Junior teachers and leaders. Teachers will have the opportunity to see activity suggestions, learn songs, preview audio-visuals, etc., for the fall quarter of Sunday School.

Cecil Bever Accepts Call to Bozeman Church

On August 18, H. Cecil Bever and family closed their ministry at Bend, Oregon, to take the pastorate of the church at Bozeman, Montana. The Bevers came to Bend in March, 1954, from Sanger, California.

While at Bend the parsonage debt was reduced by $3,000 and oil furnaces were installed at both church and parsonage; two new Sunday school rooms were built; two new adult classes were started; a church bulletin board was installed; 160 were added to the church and a youth worker was engaged.

Offerings to both State Work and Unified Promotion increased and the budget of the church was upped each year. The Christian Women's Fellowship has grown consistently and has gone over the $1,000 mark in gifts to missions. The C.Y.F. has grown and the youth have developed very much in the way of leadership and service.

Mr. Bever has served on the State Board as district president and as a director of the Oregon Christian Missionary Society, as well as chairman of the Christian Action and Social Welfare Commission.

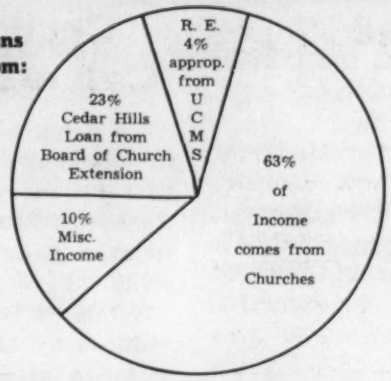
Mrs. Bever has served as district president of the state women's work during this time, and as a member of the World Outreach Commission on the State Board

The Bevers have three children George, who is pastor of the church at Missoula, Montana; Howard, who is a sophomore in college; and Gail, who is in the seventh grade.

The Bevers wish to state that they have enjoyed this ministry in Oregon and at Bend very much. The church at Bend is in good condition, united, and ready to work with the new pastor when he arrives.

H. CECIL BEVER

Our 1956-57 State Missions "Dollar" was received from:



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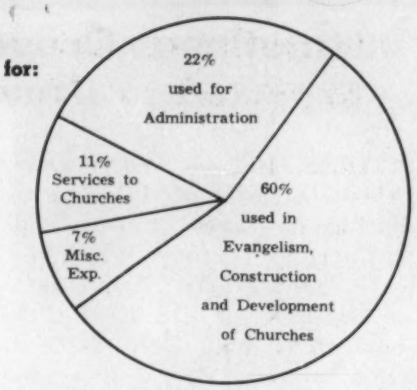
22% used for Administration
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60% used in Evangelism, Construction and Development of Churches
7% Misc. Exp.

OREGON CHRISTIAN MISSIONARY SOCIETY
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Income:

Churches, Bible Schools, Women's Groups	$ 30,743.24
Special Individual Gifts	503.50
Sale of books and film rentals	140.25
Oregon Christian, subscriptions and advertising space	2,787.25
Convention on Wheels, Spring Conventions	378.08
Christian Education: income from various programs (Family Camp, Lab School, Adult Obs. School, Young Adult Conference, etc.)	1,014.64
U.C.M.S., monthly appropriations for Christian Ed.	2,775.00
Chuch Construction and Development:	
Property and Building:	
Cedar Hills - gifts from churches and individuals	15,192.28
Cedar Hills - Loan - Board of Church Extension	15,000.00
Development and Program:	
John Day - gifts from churches	1,855.94
Miscellaneous Income	330.86
	$ 70,721.04

This income was used for:

Administrative expense, salaries, rent, supplies, postage, Pension Fund, etc.	15,263.23
Service and counsel to churches	6,400.71
Christian Education: expenditures for various programs — Family Camp, Adult Obs. School. etc.	1,092.10
Oregon Christian: editor's salary, publication expense, miscellaneous supplies	3,375.39
Church Construction and Development:	
Cedar Hills — 7 months property payments	490.00
Cedar Hills — OCMS payments on Board of Church Extension loan	450.00
Cedar Hills — Building	27,591.15
Westside Roseburg	2,750.00
Church Development and Program:	
Allison Park, Eugene	2,100.00
Eastside, Albany	2,200.00
John Day	1,855.94
Cedar Hills	1,566.58
Miscellaneous Expense: dues to national, city, and state organizations etc.	801.92
	65,937.02

SUMMARY OF INCOME AND EXPENDITURES:

July 1, 1956 Overdraft	(1141.98)	**Unpaid Obligations:**	
Total receipts, 1956-57	70,721.04	Salaries & Field Exp.	2773.78
	69,579.06	Oregon Christian pub.	1021.50
Total Expense, 1956-57	65,937.02	Supplies & Misc. Exp.	691.48
Cash in Bank, 6/30/57	3,642.04		4486.76
(Cedar Hills Bldg. Fund	2601.13	Cash on hand	1040.91
OCMS General Fund	1040.91		
	3642.04)	Current deficit 6/30	3445.85

This report was prepared by Ruth I. Crewse, bookkeeper, & Loren L. Caldwell, auditor.

PERMANENT FUND — June 30, 1957

Loaned to 8 churches	14,781.01
Loan to OCMS Administrative Fund	4,500.00
Loan to Oregon Christian Conv. (Turner Grounds)	1,200.00
Cash in Bank, Savings Acct.	6,920.59
	27,401.60
Total interest earned this year	$620.59

Bethany Press Announces New Book Awards

Two new creative writing awards in the field of religious books will be presented in 1958 by The Bethany Press (trade publishing division of the Christian Churches — Disciples of Christ). The contest, open to all except employees of The Bethany Press — Christian Board of Publication, their families, and authors of books under contract to other publishers, is designed to encourage new authors.

Two separate cash awards will be given in the amount of $2,500 plus a $500 advance royalty for the winning manuscript on each of the two following subjects:

(1) in the general area of the Christian religion

(2) specifically relating to Christian Churches (Disciples of Christ).

Manuscripts of poetry, fiction, or autobiography will not be accepted in either category.

A distinguished panel of judges who will select the winning manuscript is to be announced at the International Convention of the Disciples of Christ at Cleveland, Ohio, October 11 to 16, 1957.

All manuscripts must be received at The Bethany Press editorial offices, Box 179, St. Louis 3, Missouri, between April 1, 1958, and July 1, 1958. The decision of the judges will be announced in October, 1958.

A brochure describing the 1958 Bethany Book Awards may be secured from The Bethany Press, Box 179 M.P.O., St. Louis 3, Missouri.

CAMP ADAMS CHI RHO boys and girls of Zone 2 are shown here, with their counselors.

Chi Rho of Zone 2 Report Highly Successful Experience at Camp Adams

The Chi Rho Camp for Zone 2 (held at Camp Adams during the last week in June) was successful, according to the report from the camp director, Mrs. Ansel Hyland of Eugene. There were 91 Chi Rho youth and 16 adult counselors in attendance. The quest was "This Is My Father's World." Highlights of the camp were the Angelus Hour, led by Howard Larsen, Springfield minister; Mr. Clarence Underwood, state soil conservation man, who helped the youth to see their responsibilities as real Christian stewards; and Joan Wilson, who led each of the seven "family" groups on cookouts and guided the craft program for the total camp life.

Some of the projects were beautifying a spot on the campgrounds to leave for other campers to enjoy; the building of a beautiful bulletin board, which was presented to the camp managers; making scrapbooks, a terranium, and snakehouse; and even studying the stars with a telescope.

The following counselors served as Mom and Pop, each with a "family" group: Eddie McIndoo, Bernel Babcock, Ron Eldridge, Connie McIndoo; Howard Larson, Dixie Eldridge; Bud Smythe, Carol Webster; Pete Webster, Mary Kleeman; Warren Sechler, Lynette Rhay; Hillis Davidson, Marjorie Morse. Other adult leaders were Allen Horn, business manager; Orace Wolfe, nurse; and Frances Hyland, director.

Extension Board Helps Raise Millions for Low Fees

Nearly four and one-half million dollars in Christian Church building funds were raised last year through the use of the Board of Church Extension Building Fund Campaign program.

Ninety-two campaigns were held in twenty-five states with aggregate goals of $4,159,934. Total amount raised was $4,426,523. Net amount raised over and beyond the goals was $266,589.

Members of the Church Extension staff who conduct building fund campaigns are William T. Pearcy, Rolland H. Sheafor, and Harold L. Herndon. Travel fees charged for the 92 campaigns were $16,750. Had the usual commercial fees been paid, they would have amounted to approximately $221,000. Use of the Church Extension program represents a net saving to the churches of over $200,000.

Twelve of the churches served were newly-organized congregations; therefore, in accordance with Church Extension policy, no fee was charged for their building fund campaigns. This was a saving of $3000 in fees for these twelve new churches.

The Board of Church Extension fund-raising service is available to any Christian church. The fee schedule is $1.00 per resident member, based on the figures appearing in the latest Year Book; however, the fee will not be less than $250. nor more than $1,000 for any church.

Christian Vocations Conference
Saturday, September 21
Lebanon Christian Church

Guest Leader: Dr. George Earle Owen

For those senior-high and college-age youth who have committed themselves to a church vocation: Pastoral ministry, Christian Education, Missionary, Chaplaincy, or other.

Registration and Meals: $1.25

Report from the Director of Christian Education

June, July, August

The summer months have been crowded with a variety of important events, beginning with the annual Laboratory Training School at La Grande the first week of June. Your director taught in two conferences, directed a two-week Day Camp in Grants Pass, attended the State Convention at Turner, assisted in a coaching Conference for faculty of a Chi Rho Camp, and sat in on a two-day planning session on Family Life program possibilities.

The last two weeks of August were spent at National Camp, improving skills in creative camping and learning new ways to train leaders in the field of camping.

These activities are indicative of the still growing field of Christian education in the state among our churches. Still coming in are reports from the summer camps and from the Vacation Church Schools helds this summer. A full report on both will appear later in the OREGON CHRISTIAN.

As thrilling as the growth in youth work and children's leadership is the groundwork now being laid for a more comprehensive service to the churches in the field of adult work. An exploratory conference in Young Adult work was held in the Northwest in July, and as mentioned above, a conference on Family Life Education was held in Portland, attended by members of the Education Commission and their families, and by members of the Adult Committee. Both will bear fruit in the months to come.

Loma Mae Jones

Five Youth Attend International Commission

Five young persons from Oregon attended the annual International C.Y.F. Commission at Culver-Stockton College, Canton, Missouri, August 15-20. There they met with other delegates from the United States and Canada.

Attending were Gary Wolfe, First Christian, Eugene; Reed Daugherity, Grants Pass; Marcia Callis, Springfield; Jim Scott, Lebanon; and Judy Petersen, First Christian, Portland. All are state officers of the Oregon C.Y.F.

Accompanying them was Mr. Virgil Cedargreen, Forest Grove, who is a member of the state senior-high committee of the Oregon Christian Missionary Society. Virgil is also counselor of the Forest Grove senior-high youth group.

The International Christian Youth Fellowship Commission is a planning meeting to which states and areas send five delegates and two adult leaders.

Monmouth Church Dedicates New Addition

The Monmouth church dedicated a new basement addition at a special service on the afternoon of July 28, which was also the occasion of the 101st anniversary of the congregation. The dedicatory address was presented by Lynnton Elwell, former pastor, on the theme, "The Divine Formula."

The dedicatory service was conducted around the tables after a potluck dinner in the new basement. Philip Wolfe, Dallas pastor, gave the invocation. Harold Elkins, chairman of the building committee, accepted the keys from Ray Dahlen, Salem builder who supervised construction, and in turn introduced the members of the building and finance committees and guests in attendance.

Following the reading of a financial report by Kenneth McCrae, church treasurer, colored slides were shown, reviewing the progress of construction. Dedicatory remarks on "Our Responsibility," "Our Opportunity" and "Our Privilege" were made by three of the local elders, Alton Upmeyer, Grove Peterson, and Eldon Riddell. A ladies' trio from the church sang "We Would Be Building."

Brother Elwell then spoke, emphasizing the truth that "Faith plus work equals success." His message was followed by a congregational act of dedication, after which the building supervisor sang the solo, "Bless This House." Leslie Peterson, ministerial student from the Monmouth church, gave the dedicatory prayer, and the service concluded with the singing of the Doxology.

The new church basement has been constructed under the existing sanctuary and makes available about 3500 square feet of new floor area for classes, fellowship hall, restrooms, storerooms, and offices.

The first stage of construction is now complete, including block walls, concrete floor and the installation of outside entrance-ways, doors, and windows. The cost of all work done to date has been $11,081.82. Later construction will complete the surfacing of partition walls, installation of ceiling, wiring and additional plumbing fixtures. The new area was first occupied by classes on July 7.

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Wallowa Celebrates Golden Anniversary

The Wallowa Christian Church celebrated its 50th anniversary on July 28. One hundred sixty-eight were present for Bible School, and 156 signed the guestbook register, which was in charge of Mrs. Herschel Scott.

Charles Addleman, state secretary for the Oregon Christian Missionary Society, gave the morning message. He stated that even though great victories had been achieved by this church, even greater ones lay ahead in the next 50 years.

The pastor of the Wallowa church, James Sinclair, and Mrs. Dale Lindsey of Roseburg sang the duet, "I Walked Today Where Jesus Walked." Other music was supplied by a choir of mixed voices, singing "In the Garden."

At the picnic dinner, which was spread on the school lawn, ice cream was served along with a great variety of other foods. The three-tiered anniversary cake, which had been baked by Mrs. Melvin Carper, was trimmed in gold roses and topped with a miniature church and the gold number, "50."

At the afternoon service a quartet composed of Jim McCrae, Crawford Oveson, James and John Sinclair, twin-brother ministers, sang "On the Jericho Road." Mrs. William McKenzie of Grants Pass, who was long an active member of the congregation, sang "Beside the Still Waters." Mrs. Sinclair provided piano accompaniment for the singing.

Mrs. Beryl Brown read the history of the church, which had been compiled by Mrs. Roy Carper. Mrs. Spencer Trump, clerk, read letters of congratulation from members and former pastors who could not attend, and she introduced the visitors.

YOUR CHURCH LIBRARY

It is often said, "You are what you read." We are living in a day when all types of education are coming into our homes through television. One way to keep the mind set on Christian influence is through good reading. Every church needs a good library, but it is more important to have the books in the hands of the members. You are aware that the Christian Board of Publication is making a very fine offer to our churches helping them begin or improve their libraries. Make good use of this offer and make the reading of Christian literature one of the goals for your church this year.

Belated Pictures from

LEN FISHBACK CAMP was one of un[offi]cial the Fishbacks (right) talk to visiting friends, in

MRS. HAROLD GLEN BROWN, wife of Portland minister, autographs her "The Seven Teens."

WASHING is hung on line by tw

from Turner Convention

unofficial fellowship centers at Turner. Here ends, including the Laughlins.

PAUL VEACH (right) supervises breaking of camp. Veach family and friends, a party of 8, came from Winston.

e by two boys of the N.C.C. quartet.

OREGON CHRISTIAN WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP

—By Edna L. Burke

According to action taken at the recent Christian Women's Fellowship Assembly held at Purdue University, Lafayette, Indiana, the women have adopted a national goal of $2,000,000 for the current year, as their share in the total program of Unified Promotion of our brotherhood.

Up to July 1 of this year, the Christian Women's Fellowship regular offerings have been supporting the work of The United Christian Missionary Society exclusively. From now on the offerings will be used for the support and work of our entire brotherhood work around the world. This is a great forward-looking, history-making step so far as women's work is concerned. Oregon's C.W.F. share in this year's goal will be $39,110. As far as we know now, last year's offering of $34,650 exceeded the goal of $34,340.

Mrs. Beulah Smith, district number 1 secretary, and the writer visited the women of the Cedar Hills church on July 30 and helped them to plan their work for the coming year. We found the women well organized, enthusiastic, and hard at work. They are looking forward eagerly to the completion of additional space for their rapidly expanding work under the supervision of Mr. and Mrs. Everett Cecil. Both Mr. and Mrs. Cecil have degrees from Northwest Christian College; Mr. Cecil has an advanced degree from Pacific School of Religion, Berkeley, California. Immediately following their graduation from N.C.C. they were in charge of the student work at Oregon State College.

Following our visit to Cedar Hills, we met with the women of the new Southgate church. They are looking forward to a Christian Women's Fellowship there; perhaps one has been organized since this was written. We predict a bright future for them under the leadership of Mr. and Mrs. Earle Van Slyck, former members of the Kern Park church in Portland.

I spent August 11-21 in South Idaho, meeting with the CWF state board, teaching a class in men's work in adult conference, preaching in the Pocatello church on August 18 in absence of the pastor, Jasper Havens, and meeting with the South Idaho, Oregon, and Utah area committee and Miss Velva Dreese to make plans for next year.

Mrs. Idella Osburn, state president (Lebanon), Mrs. Virgil Davis, Area treasurer (Springfield), and Mrs. Beulah Smith, district 1 secretary (Portland), are the Oregon representatives on the committee. Following the Area meeting in Pocatello, it was my privilege to help the Caldwell women in a planning conference.

NINETY and NINE MEN'S BROTHERHOOD

—By Ed Dewees

As this copy is written, the 1957 camping season is nearing its end with the Wi-Ne-Ma Boys' Camp the one remaining camp to be held under the sponsorship of the Ninety and Nine Men's Brotherhood. In the four boys' camps already held the registration was as follows: Turner, 90; Crescent Lake, 36; Cove, 90; and Fir Point, 58.

As noted in our last column, the Turner Girls' Camp enrolled 101 girls for an all-time high in attendance and the Cove Girls' Camp with an enrollment of 93 has also set an all-time high. Word just received from Glendale reveals 38 girls enrolled in the Fir Point Girls' Camp. Total attendance to date for the girls is 232 and for the boys, 274. Complete figures and some of the important highlights of the various camps will be presented in the October report.

State President L. C. (Bob) Pfeiffer has the key committees at work on the program and plans for the 21st annual Ninety and Nine convention to be held in the First Christian Church in Albany.

Christine Siefke Accepts Indianapolis Position

INDIANAPALOIS, Ind., Aug. 5, 1957.- Miss Christine Siefke of Eugene, Oregon, daughter of Professor and Mrs. William Siefke of Northwest Christian College has just assumed a position of research associate in the department of missionary education of The United Christian Missionary Society of the Disciples of Christ.

In her new position Miss Siefke compiles information for use in preparation of programs and materials for children, youth, and adults. She is associated with a group of persons who write study courses, books, lesson plans, magazine articles, stories, and other materials for missionary education.

In 1956 Miss Siefke received the Bachelor of Religious Education degree at Northwest Christian College, Eugene, Ore., and in 1957 the A.B. degree at the University of Oregon with a major in sociology. She has been elected to Phi Beta Kappa, college honorary scholastic society.

For two years Miss Siefke was a member of the International Christian Youth Fellowship Commission. She also served a year as state president of CYF in Oregon and was active in the Chi Rho and CYF groups of her church at Harrisburg, Ore.

State Office to Be in New Location October 1

The Executive Committee was authorized by the July Board meeting to change the location of the office if it was thought advisable. The Executive Committee met on July 19 and authorized the change.

The story behind the move is this: For some four or five years there has been talk, study, and suggestions to establish a Protestant Center in Portland. Plans have never materialized to buy or build such a building, for there seemed no way to finance it. As time went on, many groups moved into the Fitzpatrick Building at 917 S.W. Oak Street. The Oregon Council of Churches, The Oregon Baptist Convention (American Baptist), and the Presbyterian USA have been in the building. This is the third time our Society has been approached to move into the building. Just recently the Portland Council of Churches voted to take space in the same building.

Some of the reasons for moving are as follows: From the standpoint of ecumenical relationships it will be a decided advantage, for it will provide an avenue for closer activities and will save the staff time in attending the many conferences they now share in. The second advantage is that we will have almost a third more space than we now have and at less rental charges. The third advantage is that we feel the parking problem will be less acute in that area.

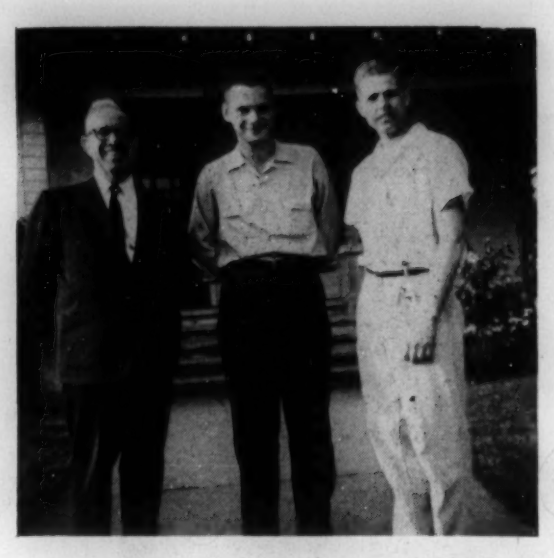
It will be with some regrets that we move out of the Panama Building where the State Office has been located for years. Yet we must move forward with the trends of the present, and when we share in the growing ecumenical movement we must lay aside a few of our personal likes and merge into the greater movement.

After October 1, 1957, our new address will be 312 Fitzpatrick Building, 917 S.W. Oak Street, Portland 5.

Week of Ministry Set for October 13-20

The week of October 13-20 has been designated as the Week of the Ministry. The Pension Fund urges local congregations to observe the week by recognizing all who have gone into Christian service from their number; by honoring any retired ministers in their midst with an "Honored Minister" lapel pin, if they have not already received one; and by taking steps to recruit new ministers.

HAROLD TAYLOR FAMILY: Mrs. Taylor is the new president of Eugene Christian House alumni. Harold is a student at the University of Oregon.



LEADERS of CHRISTIAN student work: Left is Lawrence Porter; center is Bill Barr, national DSF president; right is Gary Bates, president of the Corvallis DSF.

NEWS OF THE CHRISTIAN HOUSES

DULCINA ELLIOTT REPORTS FROM EUGENE CHRISTIAN HOUSE

Sunday, September 22, the Eugene Christian House will welcome all students new and old at the annual outdoor Freshman Supper on the Christian House lawn. Time, 5:30 p.m. Pass the word along to all who will be enrolling in the University or at Northwest Christian College. The opening meeting of the executive council will be Saturday evening, Sept. 21, with president Harley Cook in charge.

Attending the national Ecclesia of the Disciples Student Fellowship from Christian House are Gloria Haggard, Medford; Alva Good, Fall Creek; Tom Reanier, Port Orchard (Washington); Janice Gleason, Longview; Marjorie Hemenway, Cottage Grove; Don L. Smith, Portland; Florence Wilson, Helix; Nancy Engle, Roseburg (now at U. of O. School of Nursing in Portland); and an entering freshman from Honolulu, Gordon Chong. The group left for Lake Geneva, Wisconsin, the morning of August 21 traveling in two cars, Corvallis delegates joining with the group. The conference theme is "For What Are You Willing to Die?" Speakers include John Oliver Nelson, Robert Tobias, and others. The main item of business is to vote on the proposed merger of student denominational groups, Presbyterian, new Congregational - Evangelical & Reformed, and Disciples Student Fellowship.

Alumni officers elected at the annual meeting during commencement are: Mrs. Harold Taylor (Jo Anne Flanders), Eugene, president, and Bob Randall, Longview, secretary.

The Eugene students adopted a budget of $2260 for themselves for the 1957-8 school year.

LAWRENCE PORTER, CAMPUS MINISTER, CORVALLIS CHRISTIAN STUDENT CENTER

Nearly 8,000 faculty and students will soon be busy on the Oregon State College campus. One of the first events will be the freshmen parties.

We hope all the churches in Oregon will observe a Go-to-College Sunday, September 8. We also hope that they will write to the campus ministers, giving all possible information about students from their churches. The more information, the more help can be given to the students. Remember that campus work is not a program but a ministry to students and faculty.

Campus work is with students from al the Christian Churches of Oregon and from other states and nations as well. The work is the responsibility of all our Oregon churches. We hope all want to do their part to support this ministry.

"Split-Level Family"

They have done it again. Disciples of Christ in cooperation with other communions have produced another major stewardship film. "The Hidden Heart", "The Beginning", and "The Secret of the Gift" all met a hearty response in stewardship promotion. The newest film, "The Split-Level Family," released September 1, 1957, meets an equally high standard and is unique in its appeal to the Christian family.

It portrays the story of the Riggs, a typical American family, who find it hard to have all the things they want and that

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ORDINATION ceremony of Dr. and Mrs. Clifford Weare.

Weares Ordained at Burns

Dr. Clifford Simpson Weare and his wife, Phyllis Bower Weare, were officially ordained to the ministry at the Burns Christian Church, July 17. Cecil Bever of Bend gave a statement of the meaning of Christian ordination and read the scripture. C. Paul Moore of Athena preached the ordination sermon, following which Milton Bower, acting pastor at Burns, presented the candidates for ordination.

Charles H. Addleman, State Secretary, gave the charge to the candidates, to which each candidate responded with a brief word. During the laying on of hands, the ordination prayer was given by Hugh Foster of John Day. Elders participating were Dr. John H. Weare, Elmer Graves, Russell Laughlin, and Alfred Johnson.

The ordination climaxed a summer of language study at Yale and a winter of study at Butler University, to prepare the Weares for service as medical missionaries in the Belgian Congo. Dr. Weare has practiced medicine for a number of years and Phyllis is a graduate nurse.

The Weares are now on their way to Belgium, where study of oriental medicine and general orientation to the Belgian government must precede their arrival in the field.

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others seem to have and yet hold to Christian ideals concerning vocation and church responsibilities. Holly, a lovely teen-age daughter, gets a new concept of life through her study of stewardship in the church school. Through her faith, ideals, and commitment, this family is led to face the true sense of values and to reconsider their whole pattern of living, spending, and giving.

Unified Promotion and the Audio-Visual Services Department of United Society have again arranged to make this excellent film **available for one year to Christian Churches for a reasonable handling charge of $2.50** instead of the regular $8.00 rental. Yon may schedule this film through the State Office, 603 Panama Bldg., Portland, or also through Audio-Visual Services or Christian Board of Publication.

Mallory Avenue Pastor Accepts Texas Call

Marion W. Nilsson, pastor of the Mallory Avenue Christian Church in Portland, has accepted a call to the pulpit of the First Christian Church, Brownfield, Texas. He will enter upon his new pastorate the first Sunday in October.

During his three years at Mallory Avenue there have been 278 persons added to the church, the budget has been increased by thirty per cent, and missionary giving has reached a record high. The per capita giving during this period was increased by fifty percent. The debt on the church building has been reduced from $30,000 to $17,000.

Mallory's giving to the state work has materially increased and at the same time a substantial gift has been made toward the building of the Cedar Hills Christian Church.

Mr. Nilsson is a member of the Board of Managers of the United Christian Missionary Society. During his pastorate at Mallory he has served as member of the education commission of the Oregon Christian Missionary Society and as program chairman for the Oregon Christian Assembly in 1957. He has been active on committees of both the Portland and Oregon Council of Churches and has served as counselor for Chi Rho Camp and faculty member at CYF summer conference.

Mr. Nilsson came to Mallory Avenue in August of 1954 from an eleven-year pastorate with First Christian Church, Roswell, New Mexico. He will preach his farewell sermon Sunday, September 22.

Mallory Avenue was the "workshop church" for the Jones-Keister evangelistic meeting just before Easter of this year when 17 churches of the Portland area participated in what proved to be the greatest and most successful evangelistic endeavor ever carried out by our churches. There were more than 1200 additions to the churches of the area. Mallory had eighty-five, which was the largest number for any similar project.

Mallory Avenue is one of the strong churches of the state and the ministry there has been rewarding. The church at this particular time is faced with a challenge to do a great work as a bi-racial congregation. Many in the church are ready to accept this challenge.

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Special leadership skills in many program and activity areas are needed if the Gospel is to be preached to everyone. Here is a partial list of those of whom it can be said: "This is the Ministry—"

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- Associate pastors
- Church administrators
- Student workers
- Social workers
- Radio and TV directors
- Church musicians
- Chaplains:
  - Military
  - Industrial
  - Hospital
  - Prison
- City, state and national secretaries
- Writers and editors
- Educators
- Missionaries:
  - Doctors
  - Nurses
  - Churchmen
  - Teachers
  - Builders
  - Technicians
  - Farmers
  - Printers

Suggestions for the observance, samples of materials and order cards will be mailed early in July.

Around The State With The Churches

ELKTON: Phil Ryan has resigned his pastorate here. Phil and his wife, Connie, have taken the pastorate at John Day. They assumed their duties there, September 1. They were in Elkton over five years. The Bible School has doubled, and additional classes have been added. Additional land has been bought so that the building can be added to later. The parsonage has been improved and a study added. For over a year, the youth have been having youth night. One Sunday evening a month they have full charge. The ladies have become a part of CWF. A choir has been started and all-church dinners have been held each Thursday before Bible study. One of the best things started, has been our inter-church fellowship. Once each month, we meet with the other two churches in town. Mae Etta Hubbard, reporter.

THURSTON: Charles H. Richards has announced his resignation effective September 30. During his ten-year ministry there have been 310 additions, of which 208 were baptisms. A large new building, including a modern educational plant, has been constructed. We recently purchased an adjoining property on which a new parsonage will be built in the near future. Mr. and Mrs. Richards have had extensive experience in the evangelistic field. They will probably hold some meetings for churches here on the coast. Their address after September 30 wil be Vida, Oregon.

McMINNVILLE: We have been enjoying union Sunday evening services with the Baptists through the three summer months. On August 11, we had a joint Sunday-School picnic at Mitchell's park with the Yamhill Sunday School. We provided the ice cream because we lost (by one per cent) an attendance contest with Yamhill. In a rousing softball game that followed everyone had fun. There have been 37 additions in the first year of the ministry of Ray Helseth.

PORTLAND-ENGLEWOOD: We are pleased to announce plans for going ahead with building construction calling for a new sanctuary with full basement to be located on the north side of the present structure. The present building is to be converted into a three-floor educational plant. The preliminary plans of architect John W. Foster, were approved by the congregation, August 4. Our fine CYF and Chi Rho groups are enjoying the leadership of our new youth director, Vernon D. Ummel, of N.C.C. Martin Gerrard, reporter.

PORTLAND-SOUTHGATE: Revised building plans calling for a unit-type construction have been drawn up and construction is well on the way on the first unit. Concrete for basement walls has been poured. Financing for first unit arranged for except for final details. Mid-week services started with excellent attendance. Earle B. Van Slyck, minister.

GRANTS PASS: Church School picnic held July 28. Dr. Guy Wright, NCC, filled the pulpit August 4 and 11 while Mr. Neal was on vacation. C.W.F. annual ice-cream social was held August 2 at the home of Mrs. Lawrence Weiland. Mothers' club pie social was held July 26 at the home of Mrs. Gordon Howerton. Mrs. Clausen Brooks, reporter. Robert L. Neal, minister.

TILLAMOOK: Pulpit filled during vacation of pastor by Chaplain Arnold Porter, U.S. Air Force, and Orris Doty, now pastor at Coquille. Tillamook has a definite interest through scholarship support of one student in the graduate school at Butler and three students in NCC. We are also developing a good group of music directors in the local church, some of whom show unusual promise. Aldis Webb, pastor.

BEND: New young adult class started July 21 with 12 in attendance. Jack Naff, youth sponsor, is leader. H. Cecil Bever closed his ministry here on August 18 and began at Bozeman, Montana, August 25.

RAINBOW VALLEY: We have for the first time started a church paper. While many churches are suffering from "old man summer" we are enjoying an increase in attendance. Milford Schierholtz, minister. **WINSTON:** Five added by baptism. B. Ross Evans, minister.

MEDFORD: We are happy to announce that Miss Eleanor Bower has joined our staff as secretary-youth director. She graduated from NCC in 1955 with a BTh degree. William C. Piper, minister.

NORTH BEND: Three added by baptism. C. E. youth had an ice cream social August 26. It was held at the restaurant of member Carl Nordin. Christmas benevolence projects are under way in the two CWF groups, with the Priscilla group earning money by individual projects and the evening group making stuffed toys. Pastor Len Fishback has outlined a Sunday school attendance contest to begin early in September. We are to be host for Church Life Institute September 18, for sixth district. Mrs. Charles Dennis, reporter.

CORVALLIS: Church School picnic was held August 11. Dr. Victor P. Morris, Mrs. Delbert Troxell, our living link missionary to Japan, and Ron Eldridge filled the pulpit during August. Martha Troxell was guest speaker for the CWF picnic in August.

PORTLAND - SELLWOOD: Summer attendance for all services has been quite good for June aand July. On August 11, Joseph Graciana of Calexico - Mexicali Mission, Calexico, California, was our morning speaker. Hugh Lomax is continuing through August with his "Illustrated Gospel" sermons in the evening hour. Robert Clevenger, minister.

PORTLAND - SOUTHWEST: Brother Ray Smith spoke on August 18 at both services in the absence of our minister, Wayne Jensen. Brother C. F. Swander will speak at the morning service on October 13. We plan to celebrate our second anniversary on September 15 and September 18 with special speakers. Mrs. Ivan Scott, reporting.

LEBANON: Three added by baptism, 5 otherwise. We are preparing to launch our Golden Jubilee year. At next Easter time all indebtedness will have been paid. L. O. White, minister.

SUTHERLIN: One added by baptism, 1 otherwise. Three youth groups have been organized. Several young people went to camp at Fir Point. Albert Kribs, minister.

CEDAR HILLS: Two added by baptism, 2 otherwise. New education unit of three rooms and pastor's study progressing nicely. It will be ready for classes September 1. Mrs. Clarence P. Smith and Mrs. Edna Burke met with CWF for all-day planning session, July 30. August 16 marked the fourth anniversary of this congregation. During four years we have acquired a seven and one-half acre tract, building, and property valued at $30,000. Mrs. Cecil was a recent speaker at 8 a.m. worship at Northwestern Christian Home. Everett Cecil, minister.

ROSEBURG - WESTSIDE: We were honored to have Martha Troxell from Japan speak to us at an afternoon CWF meeting. Two training sessions were held for committee chairmen. George Knox, minister, spoke at evening service at Milwaukie for their anniversary celebration.

EUGENE - ALISON PARK: Gilbert Kistler is filling in until a minister is called. Church School attendance is above last year. All-church picnic was held August 11. The attendance was 80.

SPRINGFIELD: All the members of the Eugene Divinity School, now NCC, class of 1903, are now active members of this church. They are Dr. V. E. Hoven, retired professor at NCC; Dr. E. R. Moon, retired missionary and minister emeritus of this church; Mrs. Ora Reed Hemenway, retired schoolteacher. Mrs. Hemenway painted a beautiful Palestinian landscape for the baptistry, which was dedicated this spring. We are preparing for the Jones-Keister meetings this fall. Howard Larsen, minister.

FOREST GROVE: Three added by baptism, 2 otherwise. The youth fellowship spent a weekend at Short Sands Beach camping out. Chi Rhos under Richard Holliday have been building an active program. Plans are under way for a Missions Fair on September 15. Stewardship commission is busy laying plans for stewardship education in September. Virgil Cedargreen left Saturday for Canton, Missouri, with a load of CYF delegates from Oregon. The minister, Elby Boosin-

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ger, has returned from vacation, and John Ihle is now on vacation.

HERMISTON: One by baptism, 2 otherwise. We have asked Kenneth Johnston to help us put on a month of stewardship emphasis. This next month we will hold our first planning retreat also, which will be early in September. We had sixteen young people in Chi Rho camp and 11 CYFers at East Oregon Conference. Two of the Sundays in July the CYF had better than 30 in their evening meetings. Jim Pfouts, pastor.

MOSIER: Conducting two-week vacation Bible School, August 5-16. One-week Church Life Development meeting is planned for September 29 to October 6 with Leo Horner, minister of Valley Christian in Hood River, leading. Walter A. Barnes, minister.

PORTLAND - CENTRAL: Two added by baptism, 2 otherwise. Fifth annual Northwest Youth rally met August 26-27. Among the speakers and leaders for the sessions were Teddy Turner of Nampa, Idaho; Chae Yoon Kown, Korean student at San Jose Bible College; David Kullowatz of Gladstone; and Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Veatch of San Jose Bible College. Youth planning conference was held September 6-8, and church planning conference was held September 13-14 at Eablefern camp. Al Tiffin, minister.

CRESWELL: Glen L. Vernon has been called as first full-time minister beginning August 1. Had 111 in Bible School, August 4.

BEAVERTON: Three added by baptism and 5 otherwise in July. Have entered summer contest of "Get on the Bandwagon." Attendance has increased considerably over a year ago as a result. Thomas Courtney, minister.

ALBANY: Two added by baptism. During July, John Jordan, Jr., of Albany, an NCC student, and E. J. Gilstrap of Turner preached here on the Sundays Mr. Jones was on vacation. Lester Jones, minister.

PORTLAND - MALLORY AVENUE: One added by baptism, 2 otherwise. Two worship services on Sunday morning are being held during the summer months, with the junior deacons, a youth choir, and young people at the lectern for the early service. The CYF was host on August 11 to the young people of Forest Grove, Kern Park, Englewood and First Christian, Portland, in a picnic and afternoon program at Pier Park. We will be host for the Church Life Institute September 30 — October 4. Marion Nilsson, minister.

PORTLAND - KERN PARK: Two added by baptism, 2 otherwise. The program of double services is now in its second year and has proven a gratifying solution to the customary recession in attendance through the summer. The average for morning worship services for the past month has held up to 428. Kern Park Youth brought home the gold cup for the largest attendance at two consecutive sessions of the Northwest Youth rally. They brought a complete evening of music and inspiration to the men of the Union Gospel Mission on August 19. Kenneth Johnston, minister.

LA GRANDE: Seven added by baptism, 6 otherwise. Fifty-four youth from here attended the four camps at Cove. Gene Robinson, minister, served on the Chi Rho faculty. Attendance for July was 176 in Sunday School and 249 in morning worship. Two youth groups — CYF and Chi Rho — average about 50 per week. Al Boschee of NCC was married to Deanna Ott of this church on August 4. He preached August 18 during minister's vacation. Guest speaker on August 25 was H. Lawrence Porter, campus minister at Oregon State College.

MILTON - FREEWATER: Two added by baptism. Two morning worship services this summer have averaged more than Sunday School attendance. Many of our young people are attending Cove Camps. Pastor was instructor for Chi Rho and his wife was business manager. On August 4, Mr. and Mrs. Delbert Troxell brought the evening message and showed pictures of their work in Japan. Mr. and Mrs. Marion Castle of NCC were here August 11, and Mr. Castle brought the morning message. Marion will become our associate minister on September 8. On that day, Ed Eldridge will be here for the "kick off" of our evangelistic campaign. Pastor and wife and others attended Turner convention and International C.E. convention. Marian Robnett and Ed Martin, both of NCC, were wed here on August 11. Irene Warner, reporter. Truman Robbins, minister.

HARRISBURG: On August 25 a farewell church dinner was given for Mr. and Mrs. William Siefke and son, Richard, who have closed their ministry here. There was on open house for them in the afternoon where many friends of the community came to tender their best wishes. An unusual ceremony of public installation was held September 1, when Mr. Rex Jones became the new resident pastor. Professor William Siefke officiated and Dr. Ross J. Griffeth brought the message. A reception followed to welcome the Jones family into the community.

MILL CITY: Three added by baptism. Finished painting the exterior of the building. In three weeks $226 was raised toward painting and repairing of the church building; all-volunteer help from the church membership accomplished this. The parsonage roof is two-thirds complete with new cedar shingles donated by Mr. Nat Wills. On August 15 Martha Troxell was our guest around a fellowship potluck dinner table. She talked and showed slides of her mission work in Japan. A Sunday-evening youth group has

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been started, and the response is wonderful. Bob Moore, minister.

VERNONIA: Four young people attended camp. Painting of building and parsonage about completed. Pastor and wife are popular in the community. Cassie D. Livingston, reporter. Don Hainer, pastor.

GLENWOOD: Three elders filled the pulpit during the absence of the minister. Each one did very well. Mr. and Mrs. Delbert Troxell were with us the evening of August 18. Painting of the building is progressing. Mr. and Mrs. McKeen, of Springfield, have given us a very good piano. Don Campbell, minister.

COOS BAY: Four added by baptism. We are now seven months old. Our membership at present is 42. Our Bible School has been averaging 50 to 60. An all-member calling program has been directed by Mr. Karl Arny, our evangelism chairman. George Krieger, minister.

MT. VERNON: Six added by statement. Two girls and 2 boys attended camp at Turner. Pastor, Douglas Priest, taught one week at Crescent Lake. Small house was given us which is being dismantled to be made into youth center on the church grounds. Mrs. W. M. Sawyer, reporter.

TURNER: Two added by baptism, 3 otherwise. Eight young people attended the Chi Rho camp at Wi-ne-ma and then took charge of the evening service on August 4 to give reports on the highlights of the camp. A number of our members attended Week of Missions at Wi-ne-ma. Earl Lyda, minister.

BROWNSVILLE: During the months of June and July we were in a Bible School contest with the Bible School at Holley. During the contest we averaged 102. We won the contest and were treated to a picnic dinner given by Holley. Many of our young people attended Willamette Valley Christian service camp at Crescent Lake, where our minister, Don Blakley, was business manager.

PRINEVILLE: Six added by baptism. We will have our fifth-Sunday rally for Central Oregon here, September 29. We are planning for an evangelistic meeting in October and November. We are planning on two C.E. groups and one adult study group for Sunday evening. Alva Ferebee, pastor.

NORTH PLAINS: Three added by baptism, 2 otherwise. We have had ten youth at camps and expect seven more to go. This is the largest group attending summer camps in the past ten years. John Myers, pastor.

HOOD RIVER - FIRST: The pastor and his family have moved into the newly redecorated parsonage. He will begin full-time the first week in September after his ordination at Kimberly, Idaho, September 1. On August 11, we had the pleasure of having Valley Church visit us while Leo Horner was on vacation. Earlier in the week about sixty people from both churches gathered here for our potluck and inspiring message by Del and Martha Troxell. Dale Copsey, pastor.

SWEET HOME: Six added by baptism, 5 otherwise. Five junior girls attended 90 and 9 men's camp for girls at Turner and 11 boys attended the boys' camp. Seventeen young people attended the junior high camp at Wi-Ne-Ma. Earl Downing, minister, taught in the Wi-Ne-Ma camp.

NEWPORT: Church attendance is running around 125 a Sunday consisting of a large number of visitors. We are constantly inspired by our very active young people's group which the sponsors sacrificially dedicate themselves to. A number of youth went to Camp Adams in August. David D. Dunning, minister.

PORTLAND - PARKROSE: Plans to dedicate the new church building are set for September 15. Elery Parrish will be the guest speaker. Esther Clausen won a scholarship at girls' camp this year and Barbara Clausen took second place in a C.E. Bible memory contest. Dallas Meserve, minister.

ST. HELENS: A number of young people have attended camps this summer. The high-school youth have just completed a three-day week-end retreat at Spirit Lake. Thirty-one young people and advisors participated in the retreat. A group of young people from Astoria were guests. Tim Hosoi from Japan was the guest speaker. Wayne Bryant, minister.

PORTLAND - SOUTHEAST: Three added by baptism, 4 otherwise. Gene Chamberlain, pastor. **PORTLAND - ST. JOHNS:** One added by baptism, 2 otherwise. Elmer Boyer, Hugh Lomax, R. C. Leonard, Roy Lawson, and the Gideons filled the pulpit while the minister was on vacation during three weeks in August. All-church retreat will be held at Wi-Ne-Ma over Labor Day weekend. Jess Johnson, pastor.

OAKRIDGE: The month of July was spent in a discussion of prayer. As a result the work was increased, new officers were installed and new departments formed and are working with great enthusiasm. Sunday evening services have doubled in the last two months. At the close of the camp season we will have had some 28 young people attending. Pastor Clyde Blakley directed the 90 and 9 camp at Crescent Lake, taught in the high school camp, and directed the intermediate camp at Crescent Lake.

SALEM-FIRST: Held an all-church picnic July 28. Youth visited Fairview Home, and migrant camp, bringing worship service and music. Dudley Strain was guest minister, August 4. Church-school attendance held up very well during summer. Wayne Greene, minister.

DALLAS: Our parking lot is now ready for gravel and is already being used. Our summer attendance is exceeding last year by 25 per cent. Work teams have been re-roofing the parsonage and an almost new range has been donated to the parsonage. Our minister, Philip Wolfe, was chapel speaker at two youth camps this summer. Our last in-service training course has given us for the first time a surplus of teachers in his department. Earl Gibbs was ordained to the Christian ministry on July 7. Those participating in the service included Dr. Ross Griffeth of NCC, Kenneth Johnston of Portland, Elmo Black of Willamina, Ed Eldridge and the NCC quartet.

MILWAUKIE: The 11 o'clock service, August 4, was an appreciation service which marked the 15th anniversary of Alger's call to serve here while still a student at NCC. Several of the 20 charter members were present. Among those who participated were C.F. Swander, former state secretary, Mary Harding, in whose home the first services were held, gave the call to worship; Blair Knox spoke on 15 years ago. George Knox, pastor at Westside in Roseburg, delivered the sermon. Operation Backyard has been featured August 5-16 with neighborhood groups meeting for evening of fellowship and to hear the ministers present the church program for the coming year as well as the expansion program, which includes the building of an educational unit and the development of a sizable parking lot. September 10 the youth group was host to the Portland area youth rally. A watermelon feed was enjoyed afterwards. The youth group has entered an attendance contest with a mystery class. Alger, with Marvin and Irene Ekfeldt, spent a week teaching at the high school camp at Wi-Ne-Ma. Mrs. Wm. Van Antwerp, reporter. Alger M. Fitch, pastor.

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